

REMARKS

Claims 1-58 are pending in this case. The Office Action restricts the claims into Groups I through XI.

Applicants hereby elect Group VII, Claim 48 directed to a method of finding a chemical compound which bonds to a polypeptide.

Applicants however, respectfully traverse this restriction at least as far as Claims 50 and 51 are concerned. Applicants believe that Claim 48 directed to a method of finding a chemical compound which bonds to a polypeptide with the biological activity of a phosphomevalonate kinase and modulates the activity of the polypeptide, and Claims 50 and 51 directed to one or more modulators which are identified according to Claim 48 are sufficiently related so as to remain in this one case. Certainly this presents little or no additional searching burden on the Examiner. Applicants respectfully request that Claims 50 and 51 be permitted to remain in this one application, along with Claim 48.

Respectfully submitted,

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